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# THE NEW MDS/ITFS APPLICATION SEARCH INTERFACE WILL BE DEPLOYED AUGUST 18, 2003

The new MDS/ITFS application search interfaces will be made available to the public on August 18, 2003. The new searches allow access to Multi-point Distribution Service/Instructional Television Fixed Service (MDS/ITFS) Application data.

## New Application Searches - Transitional ULS database for MDS/ITFS Application data

The new MDS/ITFS application search interfaces presented at the Public Forum held on August 13, 2003 will be available for public use at 9:00 am EST on August 18, 2003. These searches will allow the query and retrieval of data for applications with purposes of New, Amendment and Modification in a Pending status on or after August 1, 2003. The searches will run against the Transitional ULS database. They can be accessed at the following URL:

#### http://wireless.fcc.gov/services/itfs&mds/licensing/

Applications filed for other purposes in the MDS & ITFS Radio Services, such as Renewal, Certification of Construction, Request for Extension of Time to Construct, Special Temporary Authority, Assignment of Authorization or Transfer of Control are not currently available for retrieval in this database. Applications with these purposes are currently being scanned and attached to the License record. They are viewable in MDS/ITFS License search as attachments to the License. The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (WTB) will eventually migrate the MDS/ITFS data into the Universal Licensing System (ULS) that maintains all WTB Radio Service data.

#### **Software/System Requirements**

In order to use the MDS/ITFS Application Search, you must have Microsoft Internet Explorer 5.5 or higher. You can obtain the latest browser from Internet Explorer at: http://www.microsoft.com/downloads

Please note that this is a non-FCC site, and the FCC is not responsible for its content.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See New Application Searches for MDS/ITFS Data to be presented on August 13, 2003, *Public Notice*, DA 03-2604 (WTB rel. Aug. 6, 2003)

Electronic filing for the Multipoint Distribution Service (MDS) and the Instructional Television Fixed Service (ITFS) remains suspended until further notice.<sup>2</sup> All application filings for MDS and ITFS must be submitted to the Commission in paper format for these services. The Commission will post a Public Notice when electronic filing is available to the public for these services.

## **Contact Information for MDS/ITFS Content-Related Questions**

For all inquires relating to MDS or ITFS licensing and service rules, contact the Public Safety and Private Wireless Division at (202) 418-0680. Contact the Help Desk at (888) 225-5322 and select option 2 for questions related to data in the transitional MDS/ITFS database, or general questions about this PN.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Suspends Electronic Filing for the Broadband Licensing System on October 11, 2002, *Public Notice*, DA 02-2422 (WTB PSPWD rel Sept 27, 2002)